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## Grand Canyon News Release

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### **Fire Restrictions to be lifted at Grand Canyon National Park**

Due to the onset of monsoons and recent precipitation, the National Park Service (NPS) will lift fire restrictions on the South and North Rims of Grand Canyon National Park effective 8:00 a.m. Friday, July 20, 2007. Fire conditions within the park have moderated, so the fire danger has dropped from extreme to very high. Fire restrictions at the Grand Canyon have been in place since June 20, 2007.

In lifting fire restrictions, campfires and charcoal fires are now allowed in established fire pits and grills in designated campgrounds and picnic areas on the rims. The restriction on smoking, which was only permitted directly adjacent to buildings that had designated smoking areas and within private vehicles provided an ashtray was used, has also been lifted.

Although fire conditions at the Grand Canyon have moderated, the NPS still asks visitors and residents to be cautious when dealing with possible sources of ignition. To ensure public safety and to provide the highest degree of protection to park resources, please observe the following regulations:

- Keep campfires in established fire pits and grills in campgrounds and picnic areas along the rims and in fire pans along the Colorado River.
- Use an ashtray when smoking.

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Historically, fire conditions moderate once the monsoons arrive. However, conditions can dry out again, especially in early fall. If this occurs, fire restrictions may again be implemented.

For additional fire information at the Grand Canyon, please call the park's fire information recorded message at 928-638-7819 or call Pamela Walls, Public Affairs Specialist, at (928) 638-7958. You may also visit Grand Canyon's Web site at <http://www.nps.gov/grca/>.

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